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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Sami USKELA et al.

Application No.:

09/405,088

Filing Date:

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Title:

SPONSORED NETWORK GAMES

Art Unit:

3713

Examiner:

T. Hughes

PETITION TO REVIVE ABANDONED APPLICATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.137(a) OR 1.137(b)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Adjustment date: 05/28/2003 CKHLOK

April 16, 2003 09405088

Sir:

The April 10, 2003 Decision of Group Director Rollins has held the abovereferenced application abandoned and states that Applicant should consider revival pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137.

This request is made first, under 37 C.F.R. §1.137(a) on grounds that the abandonment was unavoidable and alternatively, if a Decision is rendered that the abandonment was not unavoidable, then revival of the application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) is alternatively requested.

Submitted herewith is a Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.113(3)(b), Request for Reopening Prosecution to Complete the Record and Consider New Prior Art and Entry of the Amendment of October 3, 2001, which constitutes the required reply Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(a)(1) and 37 C.F.R. §1.37(b)(1).

Applicant submits that the abandonment of the application should be deemed unavoidable in that the statement of Primary Examiner Harrison agreed that

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prosecution should be reopened, upon which the undersigned regrettably, as reflected in the April 10th Decision, relied.

Alternatively, the undersigned certifies that the delay in replying was unintentional.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the petition fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.117(I) required by 37 C.F.R. §1.137(a) or the petition fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.117(m) for unintentional abandonment to Deposit Account 01-2135 if the Petition Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) is denied.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (0171.37498X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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